

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

GILMANTON

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1953**

AND OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1953**

ANNUAL REPORT

of the Town Officers

OF

GILMANTON, N. H.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1953

Town Officers

Representative to the General Court

WILLIAM T. ROBINSON

Moderator

MORSE E. BROWN

Selectmen

HAROLD T. MITCHELL MORSE E. BROWN
HOWARD G. LANGLEY

Town Treasurer

FLORENCE M. DURGIN

Town Clerk

MINNIE F. EDGERLY

Tax Collector

AMOS R. PRICE

Supervisors

RICHARD L. SMALL C. ROLAND OSBORNE
RICHARD PRICE

Health Officers

FLORENCE BORDEAU AND SELECTMEN

Police Officers

FRANK O. DOWST, Chief ARTHUR E. WILLARD

Trustees of Trust Funds

GEORGE B. ROBERTS JOHN A. GEDDES
FRED L. THOMPSON

Board of Education

WILLIAM E. DUNN OLIVE BRETT BESSE
FRED H. CARLSON

Highway Agents

EARL C. CLIFFORD

HARRY G. FORSYTH

Auditors

HARRY W. BESSE

RICHARD L. SMALL

Trustees of Libraries

RUTH E. POTTER

MILDRED P. EDGERLY

AURA E. PRICE

Fire Wardens

RICHARD PRICE, Warden

Belmont 2152

HARRY BOWDOIN, Deputy

Belmont 2561

CHRISTOPHER ROBINSON, Deputy

Laconia 1433-M3

FRANK E. TAYLOR, Deputy

Belmont 2156

CHARLES G. KELLY, Deputy

Pittsfield 228-21

Civilian Defense

RICHARD L. SMALL, Director

Budget Committee

CHARLES P. LITTLE

RICHARD L. SMALL

CHARLES G. KELLY

WILLIAM T. ROBINSON

HARRY W. BESSE

C. ROLAND OSBORNE

HAROLD G. PAGE

HARRY G. FORSYTH

JOHN A. GEDDES

RICHARD F. VARNEY

HARRY CHAMBERLAIN

LAWRENCE S. SCOVILL

Town Warrant

State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Gilmanton in the County of Belknap and said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs: (L. S.)

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Gilmanton on Tuesday the 9th of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same. (\$17,750.00)*
3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur debts for Temporary Loans in anticipation of taxes.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the maintenance of the Corner Fire Department. (\$1,000.00)*
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) for the maintenance of the Iron Works Fire Department. (\$800.00)*
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to cooperate with the State in the control of White Pine Blister Rust. (\$200.00)*
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the support of Town Libraries. (\$300.00)*
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the observation of Memorial Day. (\$50.00)*

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for Summer Maintenance. (\$5,000.00)*
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) for Winter Maintenance. (\$7,000.00)*
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for the payments of Long Term Notes. (\$3,000.00)*
12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for State Aid Construction. (\$1,500.00)
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for the Maintenance of the Civil Defense Organization for the ensuing year, with full realization that should a major emergency be created, more money will have to be used for said purpose. (\$250.00)*
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred twenty-one dollars and sixty-six cents (\$921.66) for Town Road Aid. (\$921.66)*
15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) towards the support of the Laconia Hospital. (\$100.00)*
16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) toward the support of the Wolfeboro Hospital. (\$100.00)*
17. To see if the Town will vote to set aside money from sale of lumber on Town Forest, also all Timber Yield Money to a General Reserve Fund. Said Fund to be used for improvements to Town Property and towards purchase of Town machinery at the discretion of the Selectmen.

18. Shall the provisions of Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of Beano be adopted in this Town.
19. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

*Amounts approved by Town Budget Committee.

Given under our hands and seal, this 20th day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

HAROLD T. MITCHELL
MORSE E. BROWN
HOWARD G. LANGLEY

Selectmen of Gilmanton

Minutes of 1953 Town Meeting

Held March 10th

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 9:25 a. m. Warrant read by the Moderator. Ballot Box shown to the voters. Ballots unsealed by the Clerk and given to Ballot Inspectors for counting. Voted to close the polls at 6 p. m.

Number of ballots counted 503.

Voted to take up Articles in Warrant at 1:30 p. m.

Art. 2. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,925.15 to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to incur debts for Temporary Loans in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 4. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$495.00 for the Maintenance of the Iron Works Fire Department.

Art. 5 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$495.00 for the Maintenance of the Corner Fire Department.

Art. 6. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to cooperate with the State in the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

Art. 7. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the support of Town Libraries.

Art. 8. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the Observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for Summer Maintenance.

Art. 10. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 for Winter Maintenance.

Art. 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for payments on Long Term Notes.

Art. 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for State Aid Construction.

Art. 13. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the Maintenance of the Civil Defense organization for the ensuing year, with full realization that should a major emergency be created, more money would have to be used for said purpose.

Art. 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,032.19 for Town Road Aid.

Art. 15. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 toward the support of the Laconia Hospital. Vote—Yes 17, No 16.

Art. 16. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 toward the support of the Wolfeboro Hospital. Vote—Yes 19, No 20.

Art. 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,600.00 for the purpose of finishing the Myrtle Marsh Memorial School in the Iron Works District.

Art. 18. No vote on this article as the Beano vote is on the ballot.

Art. 19. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to itemize the Summer and Winter Maintenance.

Polls closed at 6:10 p. m. Result of balloting announced and meeting adjourned at 6:55 p. m.

MINNIE F. EDGERLY

Town Clerk

Budget for 1954

For the Town of Gilmanton, New Hampshire
Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing
Year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954.

Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year Jan. 1, 1953 to Dec. 31, 1953.

	<i>Estimated Revenue Previous Yr. 1953</i>	<i>Actual Revenue Previous Yr. 1953</i>	<i>Estimated Revenue Ensuing Yr. 1954</i>
SOURCES OF REVENUE			
<i>From State—</i>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,454.86	\$1,548.08	\$1,500.00
Railroad Tax	17.80	17.85	17.85
Savings Bank Tax		285.85	250.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Forest Lands	36.00	36.90	36.90
For Fighting Forest Fires		133.67	
Reimb. a/c Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	825.81	1,000.00
Class V Duncan Fund	1,400.00	1,452.87	1,452.87
<i>From Local Sources Except Taxes—</i>			
Dog Licenses	126.00	334.30	300.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	5.00	43.50	43.50
Rent of Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	40.00	45.00	40.00
Interest Rec'd. on Taxes & Deposits	500.00	957.74	500.00
Income from Trust Funds	237.50	285.00	285.00
Timber Tax Yield 1951-52-53		2,558.21	2,500.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,500.00	3,029.07	2,500.00
Sale of Town Property		50.00	50.00
<i>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes—</i>			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2		578.00	500.00
Total Revenue from All Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$7,325.16	\$12,162.85	\$10,984.12
Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes			26,787.54
Total Revenues			\$37,771.66

<i>PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES</i>	<i>Appropriations Year 1953</i>	<i>Actual Exp'tures Prev. Year 1953</i>	<i>Approp. Recm'd. by Bud. Com. 1954</i>
<i>Current Maintenance Expenses</i>			
<i>General Government—</i>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,775.28	\$ 2,800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200.00	1,012.92	1,200.00
Election & Registration Expenses	300.00	135.00	500.00
<i>Protection of Persons & Property—</i>			
Police Department	50.00	45.00	150.00
Fire Department	990.00	1,456.75	1,800.00
Moth Exterm.-Blister Rust, etc.	200.00	200.00	200.00
Civil Defense	300.00	229.40	250.00
<i>Health—</i>			
Health Dept., incl. Hospitals	200.00	100.00	200.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	17.50	25.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	75.00	96.70	150.00
<i>Highways & Bridges—</i>			
Town Maintenance—Summer	5,000.00	5,159.20	5,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	7,000.00	6,013.77	7,000.00
General Expe. Highway Dept.	3,500.00	3,165.97	3,500.00
Town Road Aid	1,032.19	1,340.95	921.66
<i>Libraries</i>	300.00	300.00	300.00
<i>Public Welfare—</i>			
Town Poor	2,000.00	1,126.74	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	5,500.00	4,223.35	5,500.00
<i>Patriotic Purposes—</i>			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assns.	50.00	50.00	50.00
Aid to Soldiers & Their Families	500.00		
<i>Unclassified—</i>			
Damages & Legal Expenses, Including Dog Damage	250.00	44.92	300.00
<i>Interest—</i>			
On Temporary Loans	467.50	300.74	500.00
On Long Term Notes	457.50	492.50	425.00
<i>Payment on Principal of Debt—</i>			
Long Term Notes	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,000.00
Total Expenditures	<u>\$37,497.34</u>	<u>\$34,061.62</u>	<u>\$37,771.66</u>

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Harry W. Besse, Chairman	John A. Geddes
Harold T. Mitchell, Selectmen	Charles G. Kelly
Olive Brett Besse, School	Richard L. Small
Lawrence S. Scovill	Charles P. Little
William T. Robinson	Harry G. Forsyth

Inventory

Of Town Of Gilmanton

Land and Buildings	\$1,425,645.00	
Electric Lines	49,920.00	
Horses (6)	850.00	
Cows (281)	36,875.00	
Neat Stock (6)	450.00	
Sheep and Goats (52)	622.00	
Fowl (4450)	4,450.00	
Portable Mills (1)	500.00	
Wood and Lumber	19,182.00	
Gas Pumps	2,400.00	
Stock in Trade	7,087.00	
Boats	200.00	
Gross Valuation Before Exemptions		\$1,548,181.00
Soldiers' Exemptions		68,680.00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed		\$1,479,501.00

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property Taxes	\$72,970.10	
Poll Taxes	744.00	
National Bank Stock	8.00	
Added Poll Taxes	20.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	3,262.34	
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		\$77,004.44

Town Tax Rate \$4.86

Corner Precinct38

Iron Works Precinct14

Amount of Soldiers' Exemptions \$68,680.00

Assets

Cash on Hand, December 31, 1953	\$ 9,713.16	
Taxes Uncollected, Levy of 1951	50.40	
Yield Taxes, Levy of 1951	302.51	
Taxes Uncollected, Levy of 1952	463.77	
Yield Taxes, Levy of 1952	313.96	
Taxes Uncollected, Levy of 1953	25,512.54	
Yield Taxes, Levy of 1953	1,084.80	
Poll Taxes	130.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes, Levy of 1953	430.00	
Unredeemed Taxes, Levy of 1951-52	2,624.22	
Due from State, Bounties	68.00	
Due from State, Loss Taxes, State Forest	36.00	
Due from Estates	1,000.00	
Due from Sale of Property	100.00	
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Total Assets		\$41,829.36

Liabilities

Due School Dist. Bal. '53-54 Approp.	\$22,457.33	
Due Farmington National Bank:		
Iron Works to Corner	7,000.00	
Long Term Notes	17,000.00	
Due State of N. H.—1953 Head Tax	430.00	
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Total Liabilities		\$46,887.33
Net Debt, December 31, 1952	\$13,530.45	
Net Debt, December 31, 1953	5,057.97	
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Decrease for Year	\$8,472.48	

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HAROLD T. MITCHELL

MORSE E. BROWN

HOWARD G. LANGLEY

Selectmen of Gilmanton

December 31, 1953

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953

<i>Title of Appropriation</i>	<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Receipts & Reim- bursements</i>	<i>Total Amount Available</i>	<i>Expend- itures</i>	<i>Unex- pended</i>	<i>Over- draft</i>
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,000.00		\$2,000.00	\$ 2,770.28		\$770.28
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,012.92	\$ 187.08	
Election and Registration	300.00		300.00	135.00	165.00	
Town Hall	600.00		600.00	274.93	325.07	
Police Department	50.00		50.00	45.00	5.00	
Fire Department	990.00	133.67	1,123.67	1,444.37		320.70
Blister Rust	200.00	.75	200.75	200.00	.75	
Health Department	100.00		100.00	100.00		
Vital Statistics	25.00		25.00	17.50	7.50	
State Aid Construction	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00		

Town Maintenance—

Duncan Fund	1,452.87	1,452.87	1,594.96	142.09
Summer	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,159.20	159.20
Winter	7,000.00	7,000.00	6,013.77	986.23
Town Dump	75.00	75.00	96.70	21.70
General Expense	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,165.97	334.03
Libraries	300.00	300.00	300.00	
Town Poor	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,126.74	873.26
Old Age Assistance	5,500.00	5,500.00	4,223.35	1,276.65
Memorial Day	50.00	50.00	50.00	
Interest	925.15	925.15	793.24	131.91
Principal of Debt	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	
County Tax	3,410.97	3,410.97	3,410.97	
Civilian Defense	300.00	300.00	229.40	70.60
	<u>\$39,026.12</u>	<u>\$1,587.29</u>	<u>\$37,664.30</u>	<u>\$1,413.97</u>
				<u>1,413.97</u>
				<u>\$2,949.11</u>
		Unexpended Balance of Appropriations		

Statement of Bonded Debt

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953

Town of Gilmanton

Maturities	Highway Construction	Indebtedness
	Serial Notes 1½ %	Bonds 2¼ %
	Original Amount	Original Amount
	\$13,000.00	\$21,000.00

Iron Works to Corner

1954	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
1955	1,000.00	2,000.00
1956	1,000.00	2,000.00
1957	1,000.00	2,000.00
1958	1,000.00	2,000.00
1959	1,000.00	2,000.00
1960	1,000.00	2,000.00
1961		2,000.00
1962		1,000.00

Schedule of Town Property

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$30,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Libraries, Land and Buildings	8,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Fire Department Equipment	1,000.00
Highway Department, Land and Buildings	2,000.00
Equipment	11,500.00
School, Land and Buildings	95,000.00
Equipment	5,000.00
All Lands and Buildings Acquired	
Through Tax Collector's Deeds	2,500.00
All Other Property and Equipment, Town Forest	1,000.00
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	\$157,500.00

Report of Town Clerk

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1953.

Dog Licenses:

137 Dogs Listed as Reported (4 dead or gone)	
3 Licenses Unpaid	
130 Licenses Paid	\$349.50
6 Licenses Paid (1952)	12.00
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	361.50
Clerk's Fees on Licenses	27.20
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	\$334.30

Auto Permits:

21 Permits (1952)	\$ 32.43
545 Permits (1953)	2,938.50
5 Permits (1954)	58.14
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	3,029.07
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Total Receipts	\$3,363.37

Payments

1953	Autos	Dogs
January 31	\$ 135.54	\$ 3.60
February 28	215.59	1.80
March 28	1,230.45	3.60
April 25	375.89	30.60
June 6	217.72	50.40
June 27	55.16	35.40
August 1	162.32	26.00
August 29	127.00	29.40
September 26	147.88	19.80
October 31	171.05	74.60
November 28	70.29	55.50
December 26	70.55	3.60
December 31	49.63	
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	\$3,029.07	\$ 334.30
		3,029.07
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Total Payments		\$3,363.37

MINNIE F. EDGERLY
Town Clerk

Report of Tax Collector

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1953.

Levy of 1953

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$72,970.10	
Poll Taxes	744.00	
National Bank Stock Tax	8.00	
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Total Warrant		\$73,722.10
Timber Yield Taxes		3,262.34
Added Poll Taxes		20.00
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Total Debits		\$77,004.44

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$46,842.78
Poll Taxes	578.00
National Bank Stock Tax	8.00
Timber Yield Taxes	2,167.62
Abatements	680.70

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	25,512.54	
Poll Taxes	130.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	1,084.80	
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Total Credits		\$77,004.44

Levy of 1952

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1953:

Property Taxes	\$29,138.05	
Poll Taxes	218.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	693.30	
Property Taxes Added	28.50	
Interest Collected During Year	607.13	
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Total Debits		\$30,684.98

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	28,155.93
Poll Taxes	170.00
Interest Collected During Year	607.13
Timber Yield Taxes	379.34
Abatements Made During Year	594.85

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	463.77
Timber Yield Taxes	313.96
Total Credits	<u> </u> \$30,684.98

Levy of 1951**Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1953:**

Property Taxes	\$383.00
Timber Yield Taxes	313.76
Poll Taxes	2.00
Total Debits	<u> </u> \$698.76

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	332.60
Timber Yield Taxes	11.25
Poll Taxes	2.00

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	50.40
Timber Yield Taxes	302.51
Total Credits	<u> </u> \$698.76

Tax Sales as of December 31, 1953

Levy of	Sold	Redeemed	Deeded	Abated	Unre- deemed
1952	\$1,961.38	\$231.52	\$13.69	\$24.19	\$1,691.98
1951	1,350.90	386.36	32.30		932.24
1950	535.09	459.28	75.81		
1949	145.99	135.96	10.03		

Interest Collected on Taxes Redeemed—Paid Treas. \$65.61

State Head Tax

Levy of 1953

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector :

Original Warrant	\$2,260.00	
Added Taxes	70.00	
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Total Commitment		\$2,330.00
Penalties Collected		3.50
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Total Debits		\$2,333.50

Remittances to Treasurer :

Head Taxes	\$1,740.00	
Penalties	3.50	
Abatements	160.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List	430.00	
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Total Credits		\$2,333.50

Levy of 1952

Uncollected as of January 1, 1953	\$580.00	
Penalties Collected During 1953	48.00	
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Total Debits		\$628.00

Remittances to Treasurer During 1953:

Head Taxes	\$480.00	
Penalties	48.00	
Abatements During 1953	100.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List		
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Total Credits		\$628.00

AMOS R. PRICE

Tax Collector

Report of Treasurer

Receipts

Balance on Hand January 1, 1953 \$ 3,661.12

From F. L. Thompson, Trustee:

Interest on Robinson Fund	237.50
Interest on Robinson Fund	47.50

Selectmen:

Refund on Telephone	10.51
Refund, Overdraft for Bonds, Melcher & Prescott	124.10
Refund, Tarring Driveways	36.60
Sale of Town Property	50.00
Pistol Permits	3.50
Rent of Town Hall	45.00

State of New Hampshire:

Reimbursement Shaw Mt. Fire	80.30
Reimbursement Warden Training Expense	23.96
Reimbursement Fire Investigation	.96
Reimbursement Loss of Taxes, Public Forest Land	36.00
Reimbursement O. A. A. Charles Batchelder	20.25
Reimbursement, O. A. A. William A. Page	334.13
Reimbursement, O. A. A. Sarah B. Page	471.43
Refund Blister Rust	.75
Refund Forestry Drive	5.90
Refund Forest Fire, July	22.55
Duncan—Class V Highway	1,452.87
Savings Bank Tax 1952	113.09
Railroad Tax	17.85
Savings Bank Tax	145.76
Railroad Tax	17.91
Interest and Dividend Tax	1,548.08

Selectmen—Beano 40.00

Minnie F. Edgerly:

Autos	2,979.44
Dogs	383.93

Amos R. Price, Collector:

National Bank Stock	8.00
1953 Property Tax	46,842.78
1953 Poll Taxes	578.00
1953 Head Tax	1,675.00
1953 Added Head Tax	65.00
1953 Head Tax Penalties	3.50
1952 Property Tax	28,127.33
1952 Added Property Tax	28.50
1952 Interest	607.13
1952 Poll Taxes	170.00
1952 Head Tax	480.00
1952 Head Tax Penalties	48.00
1951 Property Tax	332.60
1951 Poll Taxes	2.00
1949 Taxes Redeemed	135.96
1949 Interest on Taxes Redeemed	8.25
1950 Taxes Redeemed	459.28
1950 Interest on Taxes Redeemed	41.65
1951 Taxes Redeemed	386.36
1951 Interest on Taxes Redeemed	14.26
1952 Taxes Redeemed	231.52
1952 Interest on Taxes Redeemed	1.45
1951 Timber Yield	11.25
1952 Timber Yield	379.34
1953 Timber Yield	2,167.62
 Farmington National Bank	 30,000.00
Total Receipts	\$124,720.87
Total Payments	115,007.71
 Balance on Hand December 31, 1953	 \$ 9,713.16

FLORENCE M. DURGIN

Treasurer

Summary of Receipts

From Local Taxes:

1. 1953 Property Taxes	\$46,842.78
2. 1953 Poll Taxes	578.00
3. Head Taxes	2,220.00
4. Head Tax Fines	51.50
5. Timber Taxes	2,558.21
6. Prev. Year's Prop. & Poll Taxes	28,660.43
7. Tax Sales Redeemed	1,213.12
8. Bank Tax	8.00
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	\$82,132.04

From State:

9. Refund Blister Rust	.75
10. Refund Forest Tax	36.00
11. 1952-53 Railroad Tax	35.76
12. 1952-53 Savings Bank Tax	258.85
13. Interest and Dividend Tax	1,548.08
14. Refund on O. A. A.	825.81
15. Refund Forest Fires	133.67
16. Class V Highways	1,452.87
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	\$4,291.79

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

17. Dog Licenses	334.30
18. Permits and Fees	43.50
19. Rent of Town Property	45.00
20. Sale of Town Property	50.00
21. Interest Received	957.74
22. Registration of Motor Vehicles	3,029.07
23. Refunds	176.31
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	\$4,635.92

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

24. Temporary Loans	30,000.00
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Total Receipts	\$121,059.75
Cash on Hand January 1, 1953	3,661.12
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	\$124,720.87

Summary of Payments

General Government :

1. Salaries of Town Officers	\$ 2,775.28	
2. Expenses of Town Officers	1,013.02	
3. Election and Registration	135.00	
4. Town Hall	274.93	
	<hr/>	\$4,198.23

Protection of Persons and Property:

5. Police	45.00	
6. Fire	1,444.37	
7. Blister Rust	200.00	
8. Bounties	49.00	
9. Damage by Dogs	44.92	
	<hr/>	\$1,783.29

Health and Sanitation:

10. Laconia Hospital	100.00	
11. Vital Statistics	17.50	
12. Town Dump	96.70	
	<hr/>	\$214.20

Highways and Bridges:

13. Summer	5,159.20	
14. Winter	6,013.77	
15. General Expense	3,165.97	
	<hr/>	\$14,338.94
16. Libraries		300.00

Public Welfare:

17. Old Age Assistance	4,223.35	
18. Town Poor	1,126.74	
	<hr/>	\$5,350.09

Patriotic Purposes:

19. Memorial Day		50.00
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Unclassified:

20. Taxes Bought by Town	1,874.69	
21. Refunds on Taxes	269.38	
22. Interest	793.24	
	<hr/>	\$2,937.31

New Construction:

23. State Aid Construction	1,500.00	
24. Duncan Fund	1,594.96	
25. Town Road Aid	1,340.95	
	<hr/>	\$4,435.91
26. Civilian Defense		229.40
27. Myrtle Marsh Fund		2,600.00

Indebtedness:

28. Temporary Loans	30,000.00	
29. Long Term Notes	4,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$34,000.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

30. State and County	6,382.57	
31. Precincts	1,147.50	
32. School District	37,040.27	
	<hr/>	\$44,570.34

Total Expenditures	\$115,007.71	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1953	9,713.16	
	<hr/>	\$124,720.87
Grand Total		

Detailed Statement of Payments

Detail No. 1—Town Officers' Salaries

Harold T. Mitchell	\$ 550.00
Morse E. Brown	525.50
Howard G. Langley	525.00
Florence M. Durgin	120.00
Minnie F. Edgerly, Salary from Fees	290.10
Amos R. Price, Tax Collector	690.28
Morse E. Brown, Overseer of Poor	25.00
Harold T. Mitchell, Assess. w/ Tax Comm.	49.40
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	\$2,775.28

Detail No. 2—Town Officers' Expenses

Association of N. H. Assessors	3.00
Richard L. Small	10.00
Minnie F. Edgerly	13.95
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	47.00
Charles P. Raymond	36.20
Brown & Saltmarsh	18.43
Harold T. Mitchell	73.20
The Citizen Publishing Co.	317.00
Amos R. Price	97.91
Ladies Aid	18.00
State Planning & Development Comm.	14.20
The Melcher & Prescott Agency	249.45
Ida M. Homer, Secretary	3.00
Doris Bowdoin	36.32
Richard G. Tilton	.70
Charles R. Hardy, Treasurer	2.00
Morse E. Brown	8.60
Harry W. Besse	15.00
Howard G. Langley	48.96
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	\$1,012.92

Detail No. 3—Election and Registration

Richard L. Small	75.00	
Frank O. Dowst	5.00	
Florence Bordeau	5.00	
Frank Joyce	5.00	
Robert Potter	5.00	
Harold T. Mitchell	5.00	
Earle Brown	5.00	
Howard G. Langley	5.00	
Minnie F. Edgerly	5.00	
Richard Price	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$135.00

Detail No. 4—Town Hall

White Mountain Power Co.	34.08	
Frank O. Dowst	73.00	
Grange Mutual Fire Insurance	12.50	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	6.00	
Ralph L. Goodwin	60.00	
John A. Stockwell	33.00	
The Village Store	8.50	
A. W. Contois	28.85	
Amos R. Price	19.00	
	<hr/>	\$274.93

Detail No. 5—Police

Arthur Willard	24.00	
Frank O. Dowst	21.00	
	<hr/>	\$45.00

Detail No. 6—Fire Department

Richard L. Small, Treas. Peaked Hill	495.00	
Walter R. Jones, Treas. Gilmanton Hills	495.00	
Richard Price, Warden	10.19	
Harry Bowdoin, Deputy Warden	8.30	
Frank E. Taylor, Deputy Warden	3.20	
Arthur L. Durgin, Warden	3.50	
Robert G. Crowell, Insurance on Firemen	138.60	
Forest Fires	290.58	
	<hr/>	\$1,444.37

Detail No. 7—Blister Rust

State of N. H.	\$200.00
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Detail No. 8—Bounties

Harold T. Mitchell	14.50	
Morse E. Brown	9.50	
Howard G. Langley	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$49.00

Detail No. 9—Damage by Dogs

Wheeler & Clark	19.22	
Frank O. Dowst	23.00	
Florence Bordeau	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$44.22

Detail No. 10—Health Department

Laconia Hospital		\$100.00
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Detail No. 11—Vital Statistics

Minnie F. Edgerly		\$17.50
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Detail No. 12—Town Dump

Curley & Spears	94.00	
Harry G. Forsyth	2.70	
	<hr/>	\$96.70

Detail No. 13—Summer - East District**Harry G. Forsyth—Agent**

Harry G. Forsyth:		
Labor	\$583.75	
Truck	544.00	
Tractor	290.00	
Grader	411.80	
Gravel	13.80	
George Curley, Bulldozer	24.00	
Richard Hillsgrove, Labor	9.00	
Robert Hillsgrove, Labor	9.00	
George Smith, Labor	368.50	
Ralph Forsyth	29.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,282.85

Summer—West District

Earl C. Clifford

Earl C. Clifford:

Labor	896.40	
Truck	533.00	
Tractor	216.00	
George Knowles, Labor	723.00	
Robert Zanes, Labor	72.00	
Marcout Bros., Labor	24.00	
Charles Little, Dragging	38.00	
Harold McClary, Bulldozing	56.00	
George Smith, Labor	16.00	
Harry G. Forsyth	51.50	
	<hr/>	\$2,625.90
Collector Internal Revenue		250.45

Detail No. 14—Winter - East District

Harry G. Forsyth:

Labor	496.50	
Truck	545.00	
Tractor	205.00	
Gravel	60.70	
Truck Plowing	340.00	
Grader	81.00	
George Smith, Labor	450.00	
Richard Price, Truck Plowing	256.00	
Richard Price, Truck & Labor	1.50	
Joseph Stockbridge, Labor	13.20	
Ralph Forsyth, Labor	59.60	
Richard Hillsgrove, Labor	54.00	
Kenneth Russell, Labor	42.00	
Walter Rollins, Labor	38.00	
Robert Hillsgrove, Labor	46.00	
George Curley, Bulldozing	488.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,498.50
Collector Internal Revenue		89.17

Winter—West District

Earl C. Clifford:

Labor	686.10
Truck	436.00
Tractor	43.00
Use of Car	3.00
Curtis McClary, Labor	176.00
John Stockwell, Labor	81.00
Ernest Chamberlain, Snow Plowing	146.00
William Clow, Labor	17.00
Bertrude McClary, Labor	15.00
Kenneth Nutter, Labor	8.00
Robert Zanes, Jr., Labor	140.00
James Zanes, Labor	13.00
Donald Bloom, Labor	20.00
Harry Stockbridge, Tractor	42.00
Harry Stockbridge, Labor	7.00
Robert Keith, Labor	21.00
Frank J. Page, Labor	19.00
Ralph Jones, Snow Plowing	262.00
Lewis Cota, Labor	43.00
George Knowles, Labor	148.00
Harry G. Forsyth, Truck & Tractor	100.00

\$2,426.10

Detail No. 15—General Expense

White Mountain Power Co.	114.06
Glenn Edwards Lumber Co.	104.49
Wyman's Garage	27.75
Goff's Auto Service	23.95
R. C. Hazelton Co.	1,565.70
N. H. Explosives & Machine Co.	41.29
Nelson's Auto Service	17.25
W. D. Huse & Co.	12.40
Curtis F. Whittier	6.00
Lakes Region Feed & Supply Co.	28.80
Harry Bowdoin	251.96
Hillsgrove Oil Co.	51.15
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	28.58
Herrick's	9.33
Casselini-Venables Corp.	4.44
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange	24.70
Laconia Welding Service	11.00
Harry G. Forsyth	240.00
Taylor's Store	32.55
State of N. H.	191.15
The Village Store	4.13

Henry Clark	5.95	
Earl C. Clifford	8.00	
H. P. Maxfield, Inc.	11.44	
Steven H. Boomer	54.00	
Curley & Spears	32.00	
Richard Price	15.00	
Prison Industries	244.40	
Palmer Hardware Co.	4.50	
	<hr/>	\$3,165.97

Detail No. 16—Libraries

Aura Price	120.00	
Mildred Edgerly	100.00	
Ruth Potter	80.00	
	<hr/>	\$300.00

Detail No. 17—Old Age Assistance

State of N. H.		\$4,223.35
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Detail No. 18—Town Poor

Mrs. Ruth MacDonald (Florence Forsyth)	291.00	
Daniel Webster Home (Bernice Forsyth)	507.00	
Hitchcock Clinic (Ruth Bickford)	90.00	
Mary Hitchcock Hospital (Ruth Bickford)	203.90	
Endicott-Johnson (Florence Forsyth)	7.94	
Laconia Clinic (Florence Forsyth)	3.00	
Clinic Pharmacy (Florence Forsyth)	2.90	
Wm. G. Frank, M. D. (Ruth Bickford)	20.00	
Frank J. Kropp, M. D. (Bernice Forsyth)	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,126.74

Detail No. 19—Memorial Day

American Legion No. 102		\$50.00
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Detail No. 20—Taxes Bought by Town

Amos R. Price, Tax Collector		\$1,874.69
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Detail No. 21—Tax Refund

1951-1953 Tax Refund		\$269.38
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Detail No. 22—Interest

Interest on Temporary Loans	300.74	
Interest on Long Term Notes	492.50	
	<hr/>	\$793.24

Detail No. 23—State Aid Construction

State of N. H. 1953 Appropriation	\$1,500.00
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Detail No. 24—Duncan Fund

Earl C. Clifford	49.60	
Treasurer State of N. H.	1,412.66	
Harry G. Forsyth	132.70	
	<hr/>	\$1,594.96

Detail No. 25—Town Road Aid

State of N. H.	1,032.19	
Harriman & Paige, Insurance on Men	308.76	
	<hr/>	\$1,340.95

Detail No. 26—Civilian Defense

Reed's Oil Service	126.00	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	9.75	
White Mountain Power Co.	14.85	
Richard L. Small	20.00	
Sears, Roebuck Co.	10.67	
Harry Bowdoin	40.00	
Diamond Match Co.	5.70	
Morse E. Brown	2.43	
	<hr/>	\$229.40

Detail No. 27—Myrtle Marsh Fund

Myrtle Marsh Fund—1953 Appropriation	\$2,600.00
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Detail No. 28—Temporary Loans

Farmington National Bank	\$30,000.00
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Detail No. 29—Long Term Notes

Corner to Belmont	1,000.00	
Iron Works to Corner	1,000.00	
Bonded Debt	2,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,000.00

Detail No. 30—State and County

State of N. H.—1952 Head Tax	1,935.10	
State of N. H.—1953 Head Tax	1,036.50	
Byron Parker, Treasurer, County Tax	3,410.97	
	<hr/>	\$6,382.57

Detail No. 31—Precincts

Florence Bordeaux, Treasurer:

Interest on Robinson Fund	285.00
Gilman Iron Works, 1953 Appropriation	150.00

Doris Bowdoin, Treas. Gilmanton Corner

1953 Appropriation	712.50
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\$1,147.50

Detail No. 32—Schools

Florence M. Durgin, Treasurer:

Balance of 1952 Appropriation	23,440.27
Appropriation in Part 1953-54	13,600.00

\$37,040.27

Report of Trust Funds

Town of Gilmanton

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

<i>Date of crea- tion</i>	<i>Name of Fund</i>	<i>Amount of prin- cipal</i>	<i>Bal. of Int. on hand prev- ious Report</i>	<i>In- come for 1953</i>	<i>Ex- pense for 1953</i>	<i>Bal- ance of In- terest on hand</i>
I.	Isaiah Robinson	\$9,500.00	\$	\$ 285.00	\$285.00	\$
II.	<i>Smith Meeting House Cemetery</i>					
1902	Lawrence Folsom	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1903	Theophilus Gilman	50.00		1.50	1.50	
1905	John K. Dudley	50.00		1.50	1.50	
1905	Joseph Boynton	150.00		4.50	4.50	
1906	Jonathan P. Hill	50.00		1.50	1.50	
1906	John B. Batchelder	500.00		15.00	15.00	
1908	John Grant	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1910	Jonathan Brown	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1910	Rev. Ezra Ham	100.00	14.99	3.45	3.45	14.99
1913	Haven Gilman	200.00		6.00	6.00	
1915	George Prescott	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1917	Amelia Merrill	50.00		1.50	1.50	
1917	Laural Blake	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1921	Martha Peaslee	200.00	17.84	6.54	6.54	17.84
1922	William Varney	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1922	Fritz Irving Gale	200.00	20.41	6.60	6.60	20.41
1923	Albert W. Hill	200.00		6.00	6.00	
1923	Alfred Prescott	100.00	10.97	3.33	3.33	10.97
1926	S. M. H. General	1,125.83		33.78	33.78	
1926	Charles Lougee	113.81	12.68	3.80	3.80	12.68
1927	Orrin Folsom	100.00	10.97	3.33	3.33	10.97
1927	Mary Darrow	100.00	10.97	3.33	3.33	10.97
1927	James C. Ham	150.00		4.50	4.50	
1927	Proctor-Potter	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1927	Titus S. Dudley	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1929	Walter S. Green	297.90	16.18	9.45	9.45	16.18
1929	Julia C. Parsons	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1930	Arthur Gilman	300.00	16.65	9.50	9.50	16.65
1931	Moses Gale	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1932	Rosetta Morrison	50.00		1.50	1.50	
1932	A. G. Neal, Swain Lot	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1933	James W. Cogswell	100.00	6.86	3.21	3.21	6.86
1933	George S. Stockbridge	50.00	2.55	1.57	1.57	2.55
1934	Elmer L. Green	200.00	5.11	6.15	6.15	5.11
1934	Tilton-Johnson	150.00	12.86	4.88	4.88	12.86
1934	Allie C. Jones	50.00	2.55	1.57	1.57	2.55

<i>Date of crea- tion</i>	<i>Name of Fund</i>	<i>Amount of prin- cipal</i>	<i>Bal. of Int. on hand prev- ious Report</i>	<i>In- come for 1953</i>	<i>Ex- pense for 1953</i>	<i>Bal- ance of In- terest on hand</i>
1935	Dana S. Page	100.00	6.23	3.18	3.18	6.23
1936	Mary J. Sawyer	100.00	7.28	3.21	3.21	7.28
1936	Lewis Lougee	50.00		1.50	1.50	
1937	F. G. & A. G. Osborne	100.00	5.83	3.17	3.17	5.83
1939	Alberto A. Bennett	100.00	5.32	3.15	3.15	5.32
1940	Shannon-Griffin	200.00	11.81	6.35	6.35	11.81
1941	Edward F. Nelson	50.00	1.27	1.53	1.53	1.27
1942	Horace Gilman	100.00	2.55	3.12	3.12	2.55
1942	Mr.-Mrs. E. E. Maxfield	150.00	3.82	4.60	4.60	3.82
1943	Laura A. Cotton	100.00	2.51	3.07	3.07	2.51
1945	H. A. & A. B. Page	200.00		6.00	6.00	
1946	Sylvester T. Gale	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1947	George F. Kelley	150.00		4.50	4.50	
1948	Richard Griffin	150.00		4.50	4.50	
1948	Curtis Hidden Page	300.00		9.00	9.00	
1948	Dixie Page	100.00		3.00	3.00	
1951	Leon O. Merrill	300.00		9.00	9.00	
1951	Alice F. Loomis	150.00		4.50	4.50	
1953	Myron Lane	200.00				
<i>III. Guinea Ridge Cemetery—</i>						
1915	S. A. Folsom	200.00	17.87	6.54	6.54	17.87
1924	Lougee-Young	200.00	17.87	6.54	6.54	17.87
1930	William Garmon	100.00	5.68	3.15	3.15	5.68
1950	Joseph B. Durrell	100.00		3.00	3.00	
<i>IV Alton Road Cemetery—</i>						
1926	Tibbetts	100.00	13.11	7.70		20.81
1931	Watson-Hall	50.00	6.06	3.83		9.89
<i>V Beech Grove Cemetery—</i>						
1925	Clara Bean	1,000.00		30.00		30.00
1926	Williamson-Beede	50.00		1.50		1.50
1926	Henry F. Nelson	100.00		3.00		3.00
1937	A. H. Caverly	200.00		6.00		6.00
1937	Weeks-Jones	200.00		6.00		6.00
1939	W. S. P. Sanderson	200.00		6.00		6.00
1939	Cyrus Gilman	100.00		3.00		3.00
1939	Hersman-Springer	50.00		1.50		1.50
1941	Elizabeth M. Randlett	200.00		6.00		6.00
<i>VI Hillside Cemetery—</i>						
1929	Mary A. Lord	100.00	36.97	4.11	4.21	36.87
1935	Reed-Moulton	100.00	28.88	3.87	3.97	28.78
1937	Harriet E. Emerson	200.00	9.94	6.30	6.40	9.84
1937	Amy T. Edgerly	100.00	.67	3.00	3.10	.57

<i>Date of crea- tion</i>	<i>Name of Fund</i>	<i>Amount of prin- cipal</i>	<i>Bal. of Int. on hand prev- ious Report</i>	<i>In- come for 1953</i>	<i>Ex- pense for 1953</i>	<i>Bal- ance of In- terest on hand</i>
1937	Asa T. Edgerly	1,000.00	51.02	31.53	32.00	50.55
1941	Jennie E. Hardy	200.00	37.61	7.14	7.14	37.61
1944	S. N. & C. P. Edgerly	200.00	32.79	7.09	7.09	32.79
1952	Elwin A. Edgerly	1,074.00	110.25	63.00	33.00	140.25
1953	Carrie A. Leyland	1,076.67	77.84	63.00	33.00	107.84
<i>VII Pine Grove Cemetery—</i>						
1900	Dr. Gray	100.00	82.98	5.49	5.49	82.98
1901	John Watson	50.00	31.71	2.46	2.46	31.71
1906	David Sackett	100.00	67.63	5.10	5.10	67.63
1907	S. G. Coffin	150.00	120.03	8.20	8.20	120.03
1910	M. E. Piper	100.00	80.03	5.40	5.40	80.03
1914	L. M. Ham	215.00	55.51	8.20	8.20	55.51
1915	C. E. Hurd	70.00	18.18	2.64	2.64	18.18
1916	L. A. Young	50.00	24.84	2.25	2.25	24.84
1918	Henry Buzzell	100.00	35.34	4.08	4.08	35.34
1921	Harlan Paige	50.00	3.37	1.62	1.62	3.37
1922	John P. Hussey	100.00	7.99	3.25	3.25	7.99
1926	Page-Hurd	133.43	30.73	4.92	4.92	30.73
1926	Connell-Tibbetts	200.00	73.80	8.22	8.22	73.80
1926	Lizzie Connell, General	200.00	67.14	8.01	8.01	67.14
1926	Subscribers' General	561.65		16.91	16.91	
1927	Olive A. Blake	50.00	8.27	1.74	1.74	8.27
1927	Fred E. Davis	100.00	13.05	3.39	3.39	13.05
1927	J. F. Ayers	100.00	9.02	3.27	3.27	9.02
1929	Shackford-Nelson	100.00	9.70	3.30	3.30	9.70
1929	Daniel Connell, Lot	200.00	69.61	8.10	8.10	69.61
1929	Daniel Connell, Gen'l.	2,570.17	53.78	78.82	78.82	53.78
1930	Martha Webster	75.00	18.35	2.79	2.79	18.35
1930	Parker M. Lougee	210.00	33.69	6.37	6.37	33.69
1932	Maria N. Marsh	100.00	3.90	3.17	3.17	3.90
1936	Edwin P. Thompson	2,000.00		60.00	60.00	
1937	George F. Tibbetts	200.00	41.09	7.50	7.50	41.09
1938	A. Lathrop, R. Smith	100.00	13.18	3.39	3.39	13.18
1939	Bake-Chesley	100.00	8.08	3.24	3.24	8.08
1940	H. S. Osborne, Bickford	100.00	1.70	3.06	3.06	1.70
1941	D. Carleton-T. Collins	200.00	5.33	6.18	6.18	5.33
1941	Mary E. Elkins	100.00	6.74	3.21	3.21	6.74
1941	Clara L. Lougee	100.00	2.16	3.09	3.09	2.16
1942	Alba Chase Straw	100.00	.73	3.03	3.03	.73
1944	Oscar E. Aiken	200.00	6.24	6.21	6.21	6.24
1946	Edna A. Goodwin	200.00	2.19	6.08	6.08	2.19
1946	William R. Gilman	50.00	.16	1.53	1.53	.16
1946	George L. Palmer	100.00	.76	3.03	3.03	.76
1946	Lilla B. Robinson	200.00	2.84	6.09	6.09	2.84

<i>Date of creation</i>	<i>Name of Fund</i>	<i>Amount of principal</i>	<i>Bal. of Int. on hand previous Report</i>	<i>Income for 1953</i>	<i>Expense for 1953</i>	<i>Balance of Interest on hand</i>
1947	Willie B. Clough	150.00	3.22	4.62	4.62	3.22
1948	Albert F. Page	150.00	3.77	4.62	4.62	3.77
1948	Nathaniel Page	100.00	2.51	3.09	3.09	2.51
1948	Asa & Eliza Page	100.00	2.51	3.09	3.09	2.51
1949	John Ham	200.00		6.00	6.00	
1950	John Marshall	200.00	5.03	6.10	6.10	5.03
1950	Roy C. Edgerly	200.00	9.90	6.30		16.20
1952	Stephen Piper Lot	150.00		4.50	4.50	
1952	Ernest H. Goodwin	200.00		6.00		6.00
<i>VIII Other Cemeteries and Funds—</i>						
1944	Harrison J. Carr	200.00		6.05	6.05	
1944	Royal W. Page	150.00	7.62	4.75	12.37	
1948	John M. Sargent	200.00		6.05	6.05	
1953	Park-French-Weeks	100.00				
1934	General Reserve	102.28		3.06	82.50	22.84
<i>IX</i>						
1953	Town of Gilmanton Reserve Fund	544.46				

<i>Investment Acct.</i>	<i>Cost at Purchase—Value on December 31, 1953</i>	
95 U. S. Bonds due April 1954 (\$100.00)	\$100.00	\$ 99.20
83 U. S. Bonds due July 1957 (\$100.00)	100.00	97.00
20 Shares Ohio Edison 3.90% Pfd.	93-3/8	93 1/4
28 Shares Boston Edison	48.50	50.00
50 Shares Merchants Fire Insurance	38.00	45.00
27 N. H. Fire Insurance	44.00	45.00
20 Shares Rochester Gas & Electric Co.	102.00	102 1/4
30 Shares American Tel. & Tel. Co.	154.00	157.00
7 Shares American Tel. & Tel. Co.		157.00
7 Shares American Tel. & Tel. Co.		157.00
30 Shares Consumers Power Co.	38.00	40.00
20 Shares Manufacturers Trust Co.	60 3/4	63.00
30 Shares Bank of Manhattan	34.00	38 3/4
20 Shares Guaranty Trust Co.	62 3/4	65 1/2
7 Bonds Am. Tel. & Tel. Co. Convertible (100.00)	100.00	100.00
Laconia Savings Bank Accounts		1,042.35

The Trustees wish again to take this opportunity to thank Harry W. Besse for his help and advice in making these investments.

This is to certify that the information contained in the above report is correct and complete, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

FRED L. THOMPSON

GEORGE B. ROBERTS

Trustee of Trust Funds—Town of Gilmanton, N. H.

Examined and approved:

HARRY W. BESSE

Auditor

Report of Auditors

We hereby certify that we have made an examination of the books and records of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Town Clerk and Trustees of Trust Funds, for the year ending December 31, 1953. That in our opinion the accompanying statements of the Town Officers set forth the financial condition of the Town of Gilmanton and the results of their operations for the year ending December 31, 1953.

HARRY W. BESSE

RICHARD L. SMALL

Auditors

Gilmanton, New Hampshire

January 31, 1954

Gilmanton Corner Library

Receipts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1953	\$ 4.60	
1953 Appropriation	100.00	
Gifts from Dr. Avery and Gilmanton Corner Library Association	27.00	
Fines	4.21	
Books Sold	5.00	
Total Receipts		\$140.81

Payments

Librarian's Salary	\$ 39.00	
Books Purchased	63.64	
Magazines	15.00	
Fuel	20.67	
Service Charge on Checks	2.41	
Total Payments	140.72	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1953	.09	
		\$140.81

Resources

Number of Books on Hand January 1, 1954	4207	
Number of Books Purchased in 1953	42	
Number of Books Presented in 1953	14	
		4263
Magazines		9
Total		4272

Circulation

Adults	539	
Children	310	
Magazines	313	
Total Circulation	1162	
Total Number of Borrowers		110

MILDRED P. EDGERLY

Trustee

Gilmanton Iron Works Library

Receipts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1953	\$ 30.12	
1953 Appropriation	120.00	
Total Receipts		\$150.12

Payments

Librarian's Salary	\$ 39.00	
Paid for Books	24.30	
Paid for Magazines	25.00	
Paid for Fuel	20.00	
Postage and Money Orders	.59	
Total Payments	108.89	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1953	41.23	
		\$150.12

Resources

Number of Books on Hand January 1, 1954	4496	
Number of Books Bought	14	
Number of Books Given	21	
Total Number of Books		4531
Number of Magazines Purchased	10	
Number of Magazines Given	3	
Total		13

Circulation

Adult Books Loaned	820	
Juvenile Books Loaned	511	
Magazines Loaned	883	
Total Circulation	2214	
Total Number of Borrowers		116

AURA E. PRICE

Trustee

Gilmanton Corner Precinct

Receipts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1953	\$468.44	
1953 Appropriation	712.50	\$1,180.94

Payments

Peaked Hill Fire Department	\$150.00	
White Mountain Power Co.	478.00	
	628.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1953	552.94	\$1,180.94

DORIS BOWDOIN
Treasurer

Gilmanton Iron Works Precinct

Receipts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1953	\$207.68	
Town Appropriation 1953	150.00	
Interest on Robinson Fund	285.00	\$642.68

Payments

White Mountain Power Co.	364.63	
Officers' Salaries	20.00	
Winding Town Clock, Frank O. Dowst	12.00	
	396.63	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1953	246.05	\$642.68

FLORENCE BORDEAU
Treasurer

Report of State Nurse of Division of Maternity, Infancy And Child Hygiene of N. H. State Board of Health

Clinic Held	3
Attended	13
Children—Defects	4
Children Immunized—11 Pre-school; 2 Infants	13

JOANNE M. CARTER, R. N.

Annual Report

Peaked Hill Fire Department

Gilmanton Corner, New Hampshire

Income and Balances:

Balance Laconia National Bank Dec. 31, 1952	\$ 439.50
Balance City Savings Bank December 31, 1952	160.59
1953 Town Appropriation	495.00
Contribution to Petty Cash	15.00

\$1,110.09

Expenditures and Balances:

Expenses**	\$ 777.06
Balance Laconia National Bank Dec. 31, 1953	182.76
Balance City Savings Bank Dec. 31, 1953	160.59

1,120.41

Less: Bal. of Bldg. Fund due Bldg. Fund Acct.	10.32
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\$1,110.09

**Details of Expenses:

Builders Hardware	\$ 11.73
Incorporation Fee	5.00
Equipment, Truck and Department	283.97
Light and Power	19.52
Work on New Unit	280.00
Repairs on Siren	9.10
Oil Heating	82.40
Janitor	25.00
Truck License (private)	40.00
Association Dues	6.00
Fire & Theft on New Unit	10.00
Miscellaneous	4.34

\$777.06

Although the above is the official report of the affairs and accountable funds of the Department, there are a few other matters on which the Department wishes to report.

The new Fire House at the Corner on Route 140 is largely completed. The fitting out of the Department's own truck unit, partially completed last year, is now finished. The Department has also contracted to buy, under a long term purchase agreement, the truck, auxiliary pump, special pump, and other miscellaneous equipment hitherto privately owned. Both pieces of equipment are now housed in the new building.

The cost of the unit just finished (it is a second hand truck with new equipment) has been borne by money put aside for the past several years from the Town's annual appropriation for the Department.

The cost of the unit just purchased from private ownership will be financed from Town Appropriations and contributions to the Department over a period of years.

The cost of the new building is below \$3,000, which figure includes only the material necessary for construction. In the summer of 1952 contributions from both summer and townspeople totaled approximately \$500. In the summer of 1953 a Laconia bank granted a loan under very favorable conditions. Additional gifts were presented by the townspeople and a few summer people. At the end of 1953 the Varney brothers made available substantial necessary additional funds, together with a gift, with which to complete the project.

The Ladies Aid at the Corner and Lower Gilmanton contributed \$150 toward the siding for the building; this was in the Fall of 1953.

In the Spring of 1953 a Woman's Auxiliary, called most appropriately the "Fire Sirens" was organized. The Sirens have given suppers, dances, drawings, sales, and other activities with which they have earned considerable sums of money. From these funds they have presented the Department with several pieces of firefighting equipment, and have contributed \$100 to the heating plant in the building. They have also, at their own expense and in their own time, given dinner every Sunday for six months or more, to the dozen or so men working on the building.

All the work on the two-story building—with cellar—was given by a group of fifteen firemen, many of whom have been on the job every Sunday, and several of whom have worked two or three nights a week. All this since early summer has added up to a substantial work-time and-money contribution.

With minor exceptions the organization, the set-up, and the building are complete. There are now two complete—(though not fancy) units available for fire protection, properly housed, and the whole property of the Department.

Peaked Hill Fire Department
RICHARD L. SMALL, Secretary

Gilmanton Hills Fire Department

Receipts

1953 Appropriation	\$495.00	
Paid by Fire Department	14.37	
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Total Receipts		\$509.37

Payments

Fuel	\$172.13	
Insurance, Fire, Liability on Men	159.42	
Gas and Oil	10.53	
Repairs and Battery	60.43	
Electric Lights	25.46	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	81.40	
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Total Payments		\$509.37

WALTER R. JONES

Treasurer

Smith Meeting House Cemetery

Receipts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1953	\$35.58	
Jan. 9 F. L. Thompson, Trustee		
Interest on Government Bonds	55.00	
June 1 Interest on Savings Account	50.00	
July 8 F. L. Thompson, Trustee		
Interest on Government Bonds	55.00	
August Mrs. Pierce by J. S. Page	4.00	
August F. L. Thompson, Trustee		
Interest on Savings Account	93.37	
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Total Receipts		\$292.95

Payments

May 21, John S. Page, Sexton,		
Care of Cemetery	\$104.40	
July 6, John S. Page, Sexton	42.40	
August 21, John S. Page, Sexton	71.90	
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Total Payments		\$218.70
Balance on Hand December 31, 1953		74.25
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		\$292.95

FLORENCE M. DURGIN

Treasurer

Report of Pine Grove Cemetery Assn.

Receipts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1953	\$ 43.38	
June 6, Nathaniel G Rollins & Alice M. Jearles, Lot No. 2110	20.00	
August 1, Herbert Magee, Lot No. 2211	20.00	
October 17, Fred L. Thompson, Trustee	345.36	
Total Receipts		\$428.74

Payments

Sept. 9, Melcher & Prescott Agency, Insurance on Storehouse and Contents	\$ 13.90	
Sept. 9, Glenn Edwards Lumber Co., Cement	3.75	
Nov. 17, Ralph L. Goodwin, Sexton Flowers for Collins Lot	3.00	
Nov. 17 Nelson's Garage, Gas and Oil	5.00	
Nov. 17, Ralph L. Goodwin, Sexton Perpetual Care of Lots	178.62	
Nov. 17, Ralph L. Goodwin, Sexton General Fund	150.00	
Dec. 26, Citizen Pub. Co., Cemetery Deeds	13.90	
Balance on Hand December 31, 1953	60.57	
		\$428.74

FLORENCE A. GOODWIN

Treasurer

Report on Civil Defense

A large part of the Civil Defense activity in the past year has been the formal and informal operation of the Observation Tower on Frisky Hill.

This has been manned until the first of the year by a dozen people, and for an average of 42 hours a week, the maximum during that time being 70 hours in any one week. To cover the times in between, arrangements have been made privately so that the town is covered 100 per cent of the time, day and night.

Within the past few days we have been notified by the authorities at the Filter Center at Manchester and the GOC Headquarters in Concord, that our record for "catching planes" is excellent. In fact, in a recent test we were among the top six of the state because the combination of formal and informal observation was evidently highly effective. Thanks are due particularly to eight people who have been willing to "key an eye on the sky" so constantly.

While this is not a part of the year 1953, it is interesting to note that on the State-wide test of incoming warnings which was held on January 24, 1954, Gilmanton pulled its freight well. The fire departments of both sections of town were not only on call but manned the equipment, stopped all traffic which got through other towns, or traffic which was caught on the road at the time of the test. The operation was in full force just 8 seconds after the incoming short wave radio warning; one siren went in four seconds and the other, which involved two phone calls after the time of the first radio warning, went in 20 seconds. One minor weak spot was uncovered, and it has since been corrected; that was the matter of alternate phones in one spot. The telephone network snapped into action with considerable efficiency and excellent results. Thanks are due here to a rather large group of people who held themselves in readiness for this operation.

There seems to be little doubt that the town is in shape to accept any necessary responsibility.

R. L. SMALL

Director Local Civil Defense

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF

GILMANTON, N. H.

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1953

Report of the School District

July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953

— O F F I C E R S —

Moderator

RICHARD L. SMALL

Clerk

HOWARD B. OSLER

Treasurer

FLORENCE M. DURGIN

Auditors

AUSTIN C. BARLOW

HOWARD B. OSLER

School Board

WILLIAM E. DUNN

Term expires 1954

FRED H. CARLSON

Term expires 1955

OLIVE BRETT BESSE

Term expires 1956

School Nurse

HARRIET D. STONE Tel. Tilton 207

Superintendent

GORDON L. FOX

25 Chestnut Street, Tilton

Tel. Tilton 207

**Regular meetings School Board third Friday
of each month at 7:30 p. m.**

Minutes of School Meeting

Held March 3, 1953 — Gilmanton, N. H. Town Hall

Pursuant to the above warrant a meeting of the School District was held at the time and place within mentioned. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Richard Small, Moderator, and the warrant read.

1. Voted that Howard Osler, Clerk, cast one ballot for Mr. Harry W. Besse to serve as Moderator for the ensuing year. Mr. Harry W. Besse having the majority of the votes cast, was declared elected for the ensuing year. He immediately took office.
2. Voted the Moderator cast one ballot for Howard B. Osler to serve as Clerk for the ensuing year. Howard B. Osler having the majority of the votes, was declared elected.
3. Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for Olive Brett Besse for Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years. Olive Brett Besse having the majority of the votes, was declared elected.
- 3a. Moderator called for nominations to choose a Member of the School Board to fill vacancy ending at the annual School District meeting in 1954. Nominations were:
William Dunn
Dean Dudley
Mrs. Ruth Stockwell
A motion was voted that a candidate shall have a majority of votes cast to be elected. William Dunn having a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected to be a Member of the School Board until the annual School District meeting in 1954.
4. Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for Mrs. Florence Durgin for Treasurer for the ensuing year. Mrs. Florence Durgin having the majority of the votes cast, was declared elected.
5. Voted that the salaries of the School Board and other District Officers be the same as last year.
6. Mrs. Olive Brett Besse said that all reports of Agents, Auditors, and Committees will be in the annual Town Report.

7. Voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for Austin C. Barlow and Howard B. Osler for Auditors for the ensuing year. Austin C. Barlow and Howard B. Osler having the majority of votes cast, were declared elected Auditors for the ensuing year.
8. Voted that the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of School District officials and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, the sum of thirty-eight thousand five hundred sixteen dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$38,516.79) and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State foundation aid fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town.
9. Voted that an itemized account of the expenditures of the Academy Fund and an itemized account of the funds of the School District be placed in the Town Report.
10. Voted that any Town organization of the Town of Gilmanton be permitted use of the Academy building and that the Town's children be permitted use of same for basketball and other recreation if properly supervised.

Voted to adjourn.

A true Record—

HOWARD B. OSLER

Clerk

School Budget for 1954-55

	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
<i>Administration—</i>			
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 185.00	\$185.00	\$185.00
2. Supt.'s Salary (local share)	441.00	407.40	430.50
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision	360.00	360.00	344.00
4. Supplies of Other Adm. Pers.	536.98	497.98	531.00
5. Supplies and Expenses	165.36	186.72	213.56
<i>Instruction—</i>			
6. Teachers' Salaries	14,800.00	15,300.00	16,563.78
7. Books & Instructional Aid	700.00	600.00	500.00
8. Scholars' Supplies	600.00	500.00	400.00
9. Salaries of Clerical Assistants	0.00	0.00	0.00
10. Supplies & Other Expenses	250.00	200.00	200.00
<i>Operation of School Plant—</i>			
11. Salaries of Janitors	1,585.00	1,585.00	1,585.00
12. Fuel or Heat	1,100.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
13. Water, Light and Supplies	400.00	400.00	400.00
<i>Maintenance of School Plant—</i>			
14. Repairs & Replacements	300.00	600.00	300.00
<i>Auxiliary Activities—</i>			
15. Health Supervision	10.00	0.00	10.00
16. Transportation	5,115.00	5,385.00	5,385.00
17. Tuition—High School	8,500.00	9,000.00	12,000.00
18. Special Activities	600.00	600.00	600.00
<i>Fixed Charges—</i>			
19. Retirement	917.56	917.19	1,094.18
20. Insurance, Bonds, Expenses	442.50	542.50	600.00
Total Current Expenses	\$37,008.40	\$38,266.79	\$41,242.02
<i>Capital Outlay—</i>			
21. Lands & New Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00
22. Additions and Improvements	250.00	250.00	600.00
23. New Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total School Expenditures	\$37,258.40	\$38,516.79	\$42,942.02
Estimated Receipts			
State Equalization Fund	\$455.89	\$1,500.00	\$ 0.00
Elementary School Tuitions	400.00	400.00	400.00
District Assessment to be Raised by Property Taxes			42,542.02
Total Appropriation to be Voted at District Meeting			\$42,942.02

Gilmanton School District

Financial Report to State Education Department as Submitted by Gilmanton School Board July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953

Payments

Administration—

1 Salaries of District Officers:

Olive Brett Besse	\$ 50.00	
Fred H. Carlson	50.00	
Florence M. Durgin	25.00	
William Evans	2.50	
Howard Osler	7.50	
Dorothy Rusk	40.00	
Total		\$175.00

*2. Superintendent's Salary:

Treasurer Supervisory Union	726.20
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3. Tax for State-wide Supervision:

Treasurer of New Hampshire	360.00
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*4. Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel:

Treasurer Supervisory Union	711.99	
Florence Bordeau, Census	25.00	
Total		736.99

*5. Supplies and Expenses:

Treasurer Supervisory Union	309.72	
N. H. School Board Association	5.00	
U. S. Dept. of Commerce	17.86	
Total		332.58

Instruction—

*6. Principals' and Teachers' Salaries:

Florence Durgin
Lucille Gilman
Grace Guptill

*Total salary of Superintendent was \$6,475.00. School Districts paid—Tilton-Northfield \$1,898.40; Gilford \$802.20; Belmont \$785.40; Gilmanton \$441.00; Canterbury \$273.00; State of New Hampshire paid \$2,275.00.

Dorothy Manley
Chester Mastine
Marion Page
Rosamond Pike
Roxey Stockwell
Mary Ryan

Total 13,857.58

7. Books and Instructional Aids 627.79

8. Scholars' Supplies 182.40

10. Supplies and other Expenses 320.18

Operation of School Plant—

11. Salaries of Janitors:

Frank Dowst
Harmon Stockwell 1,570.00

12. Fuel:

Alton Bottled Gas 95.54
Reed's Oil Service 360.17
Harry Howland 56.00
Karl C. Moore 20.00
Peter Dutile 482.95

Total 1,014.66

13. Water, Light, Supplies & Expenses:

Bryant & Lawrence 2.10
Harry Forsyth 10.00
Harry Howland 82.75
Hopkins & Barlow 19.14
J. Jones & Son 3.00
Laconia Hardware 8.93
Pitman Hardware 1.38
Taylor's Store 1.39
Village Store 1.70
White Mt. Power Co. 204.43

Total 334.82

14. Repairs and Replacements:

Burton & Barnard	2.50	
Frank Dowst	17.00	
James F. M. Groth	2.95	
James Guay Hardware	1.87	
Hopkins & Barlow	69.28	
Walter C. Jones	176.30	
Lougee-Robinson	3.95	
Tasker's Artesian Well Co.	15.00	
Taylor's Store	11.93	
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Total		300.78

Auxiliary Activities—***15. Health Supervision:**

Treasurer Supervisory Union	566.28
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16. Transportation:

George Nelson	1,600.00	
Charles Little	3,277.00	
Lewis Beckley	58.20	
Catherine Clairmont	177.00	
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Total		5,112.20

17. Tuition:

Alton School District	2,060.00	
Belmont School District	675.00	
Franklin School District	292.50	
Laconia School District	2,842.20	
Pittsfield School District	1,397.20	
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Total		7,266.90

18. Special Activities:

School Lunch Program	350.00	
Weeks Dairy	194.21	
Federal Reimbursement	346.20	
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Total		890.41

Fixed Charges—**19. Retirement:**

N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	909.16
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20. Insurance, Treas. Bonds & Expenses:

Laconia National Bank	3.60
Ralph Moore	535.44
S. Harris Graham	60.00

Total	<u>599.04</u>
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Total Net Current Expenses	\$35,882.97
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Capital Outlay—**22. Additions & Improvements to Bldgs:**

Harold J. McClary	48.75
Walter R. Jones	14.51
Merrimack Farmers	8.70
Lougee-Robinson	126.00

Total	<u>197.96</u>
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Total Net Payments for All Purposes	36,080.93
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Cash on Hand June 30, 1953	<u>2,923.36</u>
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Grand Total Net Payments	\$39,004.29
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Receipts

National School Lunch Program	\$ 346.20
Equalization Fund State of N. H.	455.89
Current Appropriation	34,440.27
Elementary School Tuitions	475.80

Total	<u>\$35,718.16</u>
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Cash on Hand July 1, 1952	<u>3,286.13</u>
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Grand Total Net Receipts	\$39,004.29
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Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. DUNN
FRED H. CARLSON
OLIVE B. BESSE

School Board

*These items represent payments for one and one-half years.

Report of District Treasurer

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

Receipts

Cash on Hand July 1, 1952		\$ 3,286.13
Current Appropriation	\$34,440.27	
State Equalization Fund	455.89	
Federal Funds—School Lunch	346.20	
Elementary Tuition—Barnstead	475.00	
Other Sources	.80	
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Total Receipts		\$35,718.16
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		39,004.29
Less School Board Orders Paid		36,080.93
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Balance on Hand June 30, 1953		\$ 2,923.36

FLORENCE M. DURGIN

Treasurer

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Gilmanton of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and find them correct in all respects.

HOWARD B. OSLER

AUSTIN C. BARLOW

Auditors

July 21, 1953

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Members of the School Board, Parents and Voters:

Tuition Rates:

The School District of Gilmanton will face the increasing tuition rates of the communities maintaining high schools which are attended by Gilmanton High School pupils. The amounts needed for the 1954-55 school budget are apparently as follows, assuming that all of the Grade 8 graduates of 1954 will enter high school:

School	No. Pupils		Rate	Total
Rochester	1	@	\$247	\$ 247
Alton	8	@	225	1,800
Belmont	7	@	250	1,750
Laconia	13	@	320	4,160
Pittsfield	2	@	260	520
Grade 8	15	@	275	4,125
Total				\$12,602

This total also assumes that all seniors now attending these schools will graduate and that additional high school pupils will not move to Gilmanton.

School Lunch Program at Iron Works School:

The Gilmanton School Board voted to establish the school lunch program at the Iron Works School under the direction of Mrs. Sybil Bryant. The program started officially January 4, 1954 and is very successful. The Federal government has donated a large supply of surplus foods purchased from farmers included beef, peanut butter, dried milk, canned fruits and vegetables. The government also pays the lunch program five cents per pupil per day for the number of children eating the school lunch. The Corner School has held a very excellent lunch program for years.

Grade School Graduates

In June 1953, the following completed the scheduled program for the eight years of school:

Denise Hartford	Gladys Maude Alund
Dorothy Pauline Hiltz	Victor Emmanuel Joyce
Barbara May Hillsgrove	Natalie Jean Price
Edward James McAdams	Mary Rita McAdams
George Bernard Roberts	Lois Sansouci
Pauline Elizabeth Twombly	Olive May Wells

TENTATIVE

School Calendar Supervisory Union No. 59

1954-1955 School Year

Belmont - Canterbury - Gilford - Gilmanton - Tilton-Northfield

Schools Open Wednesday, September 8, 1954

Holiday—Tuesday, October 12, Columbus Day Observance

State Teachers' Convention, Manchester, October 14 & 15

Holiday—Thursday, November 11, Armistice Day

Thanksgiving Vacation—Schools Close Wednesday,

November 24, 12:05 noon

Schools Reopen Monday, November 29

Christmas Vacation—Schools Close Thursday, December 23,

12:05 noon

Schools Reopen Monday, January 3, 1955

Winter Vacation—Schools Close February 18

Schools Reopen Monday, February 28

Spring Vacation—Schools Close Friday, April 22

Schools Reopen Monday, May 2

Schools Close June 17, 1955, or earlier or later date to make
a total of 180 days

Subject to change by local School Boards

School Enrollments

On January 15, 1954

Corner School—		No.
Mrs. Grace E. Guptil, Principal	Grade 8	8
	Grade 7	8
	Grade 6	13
Mrs. Beth S. Jessup	Grade 5	10
	Grade 4	11
	Grade 3	10
Mrs. Roxie Stockwell	Grade 2	8
	Grade 1	9
Total		77
Iron Works School—		
Mrs. Florence M. Durgin, Principal	Grade 1	10
	Grade 2	9
Mrs. Rosamond Pike	Grade 3	9
	Grade 4	11
	Grade 5	7
Mr. Chester H. Mastine	Grade 6	3
	Grade 7	5
	Grade	7
Total		61

Tuition Pupils

Gilmanton Pupils Attending Schools in Other Towns Alton High School—Tuition \$200.00

Grade 12

Hillsgrove, Robert
Manley, Elizabeth

Grade 10

Beck, Wendell
Thompson, Irving
Roberts, George

Grade 11

Davis, Freda
Edgerly, Esther
Roberts, Florence

Grade 10

Manley, Nancy
Wells, Linwood

Belmont High School—Tuition 1953-54 \$225.00

Grade 9

McAdams, Edward
Wells, Olive M.

Grade 9

McAdams, Mary

Grade 10

Beckley, Bruce
Hartford, Denise

Grade 11

McAdams, Pauline
Beckley, Janice

Laconia High School—Tuition 1953-54 \$305.00

Grade 9

Hiltz, Dorothy
Alund, Gladys Maude
Joyce, Victor Emanuel
Price, Jean Natalie
Wilkins, William B., Jr.

Grade 10

Bushnell, Patricia Jane
Dudley, Sylvia Arlene
Nelson, Jean Vesta
Pennock, Winnie Louise
Willard, John Richard

Grade 11

Clark, Richard A.
Clow, Wayne Earl
Woodward, William

Grade 12

North, Nancy
Page, Henry

Pittsfield High School—Tuition 1953-54 \$250.00

Garde, Donna—10

Garde, John—11

Gates, Sidney—12 Dutton, Mark (left Oct. 2, '53)

Rochester High School—Tuition 1953-54 \$225.00

Connor, Clarence—9

Teachers' Salaries

School districts all over the state have been increasing salaries. It is very difficult to secure elementary teachers for schools where the teacher is responsible for several grades. Teacher college graduates automatically seek positions with schools where a teacher works with only one grade. Gilmanton must face this problem by increasing the budget for teachers' salaries so financial inducements may be available to fill teaching vacancies.

The district should also consider the establishment of a teachers' salary schedule so that teachers would receive automatic increases each year until the maximum was reached.

Mr. William Dunn, Chairman, Mrs. Olive Brett Besse and Mr. Fred H. Carlson have been very faithful members of

the School Board. They are very interested in the schools and in the children. They have visited schools regularly to personally understand educational and maintenance problems. School Board meetings have been held regularly once a month with additional special meetings. The School Board has requested bids on all school supplies and major repairs and has awarded the bids to the low bidders.

The School Board, the Superintendent, the Principals and the Teachers will welcome suggestions from parents and all citizens for possible improvement of the schools.

I wish to express my personal appreciation to the School Board and teaching staff for their excellent cooperation.

Cordially yours,

GORDON L. FOX

Superintendent of Schools

— Tribute to Mrs. Dorothy Manley —

Gilmanton Iron Works suffered a great loss when Mrs. Dorothy Manley died December 8, 1953.

She taught grades 3, 4 and 5 of the Gilmanton Iron Works School from September 1947, until required by illness to take a leave of absence in December, 1952

She will always be remembered by the children who enjoyed her teaching, for her hard work, her devotion to her ideals, her understanding of their problems, and her pleasant personality.

We, as members of the School Board of Gilmanton, express our regret at the loss of not only a wonderful teacher, but one of the most civic-minded individuals of our community.

Gilmanton School Board

WILLIAM E. DUNN, Chairman
OLIVE BRETT BESSE
FRED H. CARLSON

ACADEMY BUILDING ACCOUNT

Spent on Academy Building in 1948 and charged to Maintenance, Repairs and Replacements according to 1948 School District Report.	\$1,089.39
Amount transferred to Academy account	692.63

1949

April

20	Jos. V. Shea	\$	21.08
30	Larry C. Hoag		15.00
30	Tasker Well Service		1,260.00

May

13	Tasker, Pump	510.78	
13	V. F. Parker, Plumbing	99.78	1,906.64

July

20	O. Wayne Sharp	80.86	
20	Stockwell Store	78.16	

August

11	Boulia-Gorrell, Lumber	184.49	
11	Leslie Cote	46.00	
11	Louis Cote	54.00	
11	Frank McCleary, Jr.	24.00	
11	Diamond Match	26.00	
11	NuFloor Covering Co.	49.47	
11	Richard Rusk	50.00	
22	O. Wayne Sharp	143.40	
22	Tom Smithers	22.00	
22	V. F. Parker	400.00	

Sept.

3	Leslie Cote	22.50	
3	Arthur Willard	31.00	
3	Wm. E. Downs	18.00	
3	King Little	39.50	
3	Hacket Wm.	13.50	
3	Boulia-Gorrell	4.51	
3	Diamond Match	4.60	
3	Novicki Cement	19.80	
26	C. P. Stevens	110.03	
26	O. W. Sharp	129.91	
26	V. F. Parker	400.00	
26	Louis Cote	176.00	
26	McLeary, Jr.	134.50	
26	E. Clifford	15.13	

OCT.			
1	NuFloor Covering Co.	65.00	
1	Joseph V. Shea	106.93	
14	Harry Howland	143.36	
14	Ed. Mageson	9.75	
14	Leslie Roberts	15.00	
14	J. P. Putnum	113.70	
29	R. B. Rusk	5.96	
29	O. Wayne Sharp	32.35	
29	D. F. Perthel	24.95	
29	Smith Lumber Co.	14.68	
Nov.			
15	Howland, Harry A.	793.09	
15	Pitman, J. P.	2.39	
Dec.			
10	O. Wayne Sharp	37.26	
1950			
Jan.			
15	Laconia Electric Co.	14.48	
15	O. Wayne Sharp	78.40	
30	Harry A. Howland	168.01	
30	Harry A. Howland	62.26	
Feb.			
28	J. P. Pitman	18.99	
28	Maxfield, H. P.	27.00	
March			
20	Stevens, C. P. Co.	8.42	
April			
15	Union No. 59	64.30	
15	Laconia Electric	284.79	
15	Pitman, J. P.	56.29	
15	O. Wayne Sharp	18.51	
June			
15	Pitman, J. P.	9.19	
15	Lumber for Stairs	54.05	
15	Bryant & Lawrence	23.00	4,653.97
July			
28	V. F. Parker	35.00	
Oct.			
15	Harold Springer	500.00	
15	J. P. Pitman	68.75	
15	Harold Springer	557.76	\$1,161.51
Total			\$8,414.75

Academy Fund in Custody of the Treasurer

\$1,000 2½% Govt. Bond 1964-69—Laconia	
Savings Bank January 1, 1954	\$1,281.90

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Living—Stillborn		No. of Children	Color—All White	Name of Father		Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Male—Female										
JAN. 30	Stephenie Anne Geddes	F	L	1	David W. Geddes	Anna Alice Hogan	Gilmanton	Lumberman	Gilford, N. H.	Farmington, N. H.		
FEB. 25	Joan Rachel Caldon	F	L	4	Winston D. Caldon	Loise Gallagher	Gilmanton	Carpenter	New Hampshire	Massachusetts		
MAR. 17	Beatrice Ellen Dudley	F	L	7	Irving D. Dudley, Jr	Dorothy A. Hurlbutt	Gilmanton	Cattle Dealer	Concord, N. H.	Groveton, N. H.		
18	Deborah Ann Thompson	F	L	3	Edward C. Thompson	Angela D. Delafano	Gilmanton	Lumberman	Fall River, Mass.	Revere, Mass.		
APR. 9	Ann Marie Kelley	F	L	1	Celon E. Kelley	Anita T. Twombly	Gilmanton	Shoe Cutter	Vermont	New Hampshire		
MAY 25	Patrick Michael Golden	M	L	1	Alfred K. Golden	Thelma M. Rollins	Gilmanton	Laborer	New Hampshire	New Hampshire		
JUNE 8	Eliza Jane Daigneau	F	L	5	Arthur H. Daigneau	Daura N. Cass	Gilmanton	Farmer	New Hampshire	Vermont		
AUG. 26	David Patrick Clairmont	M	L	5	Joseph L. Clairmont	Katherine A. Bouchard	Gilmanton	Lumberman	New Hampshire	New Hampshire		
30	David Allen Russell	M	L	3	Kenneth P. Russell	Blanche D. Martin	Gilmanton	Grinder	Vermont	Maine		
SEPT. 23	Shane Alan Moorehead	M	L	1	Carl E. Moorehead	Jeanine L. Segalini	Gilmanton	U. S. Navy	Michigan	Vermont		
OCT. 3	Kenneth David McKinna	M	L	1	David D. McKinna	Ann C. Geiger	Gilmanton	Machinist	New York	New York		
4	Phillip Evans	M	L	4	Victor F. J. Evans	Jeannette Pennington	Gilmanton	Welder-Carr	Massachusetts	New Hampshire		

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MINNIE F. EDGERLY,

Town Clerk

Marriages

Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age of Each	Color	Occupation of Groom & Bride	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
APR. 4	E. Tilton N. H.	Donald A. Redman Elizabeth Maxfield	Gilmanton, N. H. Tilton, N. H.	21 W 20 W		Mill Worker N. H. Mill Worker N. H.	Arthur E. Redman Florence E. Ford Clinton T. Maxfield Earleen Brown	Maine N. H. N. H. N. H.	Frederic W. Fitzpatrick Baptist Minister Belmont, N. H.
9	Belmont N. H.	Lawrence C. Hoag Margaret Bordeaux	Gilmanton, N. H. Gilmanton, N. H.	21 W 22 W		Navy Chief Clerk New York	Paul F. Hoag Dorothy M. Smith Jason J. Bordeaux Florence C. Edgerly	N. Y. N. Y. Vt. N. H.	Frederic W. Fitzpatrick Baptist Minister Belmont, N. H.
12	Laconia, N. H.	James E. Zanes Johanna deBruin	Gilmanton, N. H. Laconia, N. H.	29 W 29 W		Lumbering Nurse	Robert L. Zanes Mina Edgerly Adrianus de Bruin Cornelia van Vugt	N. H. Miss. Holland Holland	Rev. William P. Neal Episcopal Priest Laconia, N. H.
JUNE 20	Marlboro, N. H.	Roger D. Voudren Irene L. Morin	Marlboro, N. H. Gilmanton, N. H.	20 W 17 W		U. S. Army Operator	Joseph H. Voudren Doris M. Willet Joseph A. Morin Alene E. Patten	N. Y. Mass. N. H. N. H.	Rev. Ronald A. Mosley Methodist Minister Marlboro, N. H.
OCT. 3	Gilmanton, N. H.	Ralph Whitehouse Muriel T. Duchano	Gilmanton, N. H. Gilmanton, N. H.	43 W 32 W		Mill Worker Housework	Nicholas Whitehouse Margaret Cassidy Jeremiah Wigglin Laura Snow	N. H. Mass. N. H. Mass.	Rev. Donald L. Osborn Minister of the Gospel Gilmanton, N. H.

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 MINNIE F. EDGERLY,
 Town Clerk

Deaths

Registered in the Town of Gilmanton for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Mar.	Occu- pation	Name of Father	Name of Mother
JAN. 8	Gilmanton	Charles Frank Page	95	Gilmanton, N. H.	M	W	W	Farmer	John S. Page	Sarah T. Smith
MAR. 7	Laconia	Joan Rachel Caldon	94.	New Hampshire	F	W	S	None	Winston D. Caldon	Loise Gallagher
APR. 8	Wolfeboro	John P. Clough	77	Manchester, N. H.	M	W	W	Ret. Farmer	Elbridge Clough	Emma Sargent
12	Wolfeboro	*Shirley B. Stockbridge	37	Massachusetts	F	W	M	Housewife	Perley P. Osgood	Laura Sweatt
28	Gilmanton	Andrew J. Thompson	87	Chelsea, Mass.	M	W	W	Gold Beater	Henry F. Thompson	Sabra Kimball
MAY 27	Wolfeboro	Arthur Leland Durgin	72	New Durham, N. H.	M	W	M	Farmer	Nehemiah Durgin	Ida B. McKeen
JUNE 6	Laconia	*Nathaniel G. Rollins	71	New Hampshire	M	W	S	Ret. Shoemaker	James A. Rollins	Juliette Young
11	Rochester	Mary Gertrude Boyd	68	Dover, N. H.	F	W	W	Cook	Everett Emery	Ellen Welch
21	Laconia	David Frank Bickford	87	Dover, N. H.	M	W	S	Laborer	David Bickford	Weltha Smith
23	Laconia	Nellie Ann Dow	85	New Hampshire	F	W	M	Housewife	Jarvis B. Rowe	Hanna McCarthy
26	Laconia	Mary McKinna	52	Scotland	F	W	W	Nurse	Unknown	Unknown
AUG. 18	Gilmanton	Mary Frances Greene	84	New Hampshire	F	W	M	Housewife	Walter W. Carter	Emma J. Johnson
29	Gilmanton	Henry N. Blunden	23	New Hampshire	M	W	M	Shoemaker	Alvin J. Blunden	Mildred Cass
29	Gilmanton	Richard Moore	25	Laconia, N. H.	M	W	M	U. S. Navy	Clifford G. Moore	Marion F. Helms
SEPT. 18	Gilmanton	Alva P. Gifford	63	Beverly, Mass.	F	W	M	Housewife	James A. Trask	Georgia Jacques
18	Rochester	*Ansel Emerson	84	Barnstead, N. H.	M	W	W	Retired	Charles Emerson	Emily Hall
30	Laconia	Isabella K. Rusk	93	Scotland	F	W	W	Housewife Lawrence	Unknown
DEC. 8	Wolfeboro	Dorothy Edna Manley	46	Fresdom, N. H.	F	W	M	At Home	Edward L. Huckins	Mary E. Harmon

*Brought to Gilmanton for burial

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